

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

At a Grand Lodge begun and held at the City of Raleigh
the 3rd. day of December Anno. Dom 1794 A L 5794.

PRESENT

The Most Worshipful William R. Davie Esquire Grand Master

Worshipful James Glasgow (Deputy) Grand Master

Worshipful John Louis Taylor Grand Senior Warden pro tempore

Worshipful John Ingles Grand Junior Warden pro tem

Worshipful Edward Jones Grand Secretary pro tem

Worshipful John Conroy Grand Senior Deacon pro tem

Worshipful John McKeithan Grand Junior Deacon pro tem

Visiting Brothers, Doctor Payne, Goodrich, H. Hill, Benjamin Wood, John Haywood, John Williamson, John Howatt Warden, Hill and Ferguson.

The Lodge being opened in due and solem form; Deputations from different Lodges in the State, under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge were received and read, to wit

From St John's No 1 Wilmington Brother Edward Jones

From Phoenix No 8 Fayetteville Brother John Louis Taylor

From Johnston Caswell No 10 Warrenton Brother Benjamin Moss

From Eagle Lodge No 19 Hillsborough Brother Walter Alves

From Raleigh Lodge No 20 Tarborough Brother John Ingles

From Democratic Lodge No 21 Raleigh Brothers Theophilus Hunter and Dugald McKeithan.

From Hiram Lodge No 24 Williamsborough Brother Micajah Bullock

From Pansophia No 25 Moore County Brothers Neile McLeod and Malcome McNeile.

On Motion of Brother Junior Warden, Resolved that the Officers of this Grand Lodge for the ensuing year be chosen by ballots this evening. In consequence of which,

Brother W. R. Davie, the present most worshipful was nominated as Grand Master for the ensuing year, and was

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duly elected accordingly.

Brother Taylor nominated Brother James Glasgow, the present Deputy Grand Master; as Deputy Grand Master for the ensuing year; who was duly elected accordingly.

Brother Glasgow nominated Brother John Louis Taylor as Grand Senior Warden for the ensuing year who was accordingly elected.

Brother Jones nominated Brother Ingles as Grand Junior Warden, and Brother Richard W Freear as Grand Secretary who were elected accordingly.

The above officers of this Grand Lodge were then installed in due form.

The most right worshipful Grand Master informed the Lodge of the resignation of our Grand Treasurer, whereupon Brother Alves was nominated to that office; who was elected accordingly and installed in due form.

Brother Taylor moved that Brothers Howatt, Williamson, Warden, Ferguson & Perry, be balloted for this evening as Members of the Grand Lodge, agreeably to a petition filed for that purpose, Who were chosen as such unanimously. On motion Resolved that the Grand Lodge meet on Thursday the 15th of January next at Raleigh and that the same be advertised.

Brother Taylor moved that the committee be appointed for the purpose of revising the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Lodge, Where upon The Most Worshipful Grand Master and Brother Senior Warden were appointed for that purpose.

Received a letter of communication from the Johnson Caswell Lodge, which upon motion was ordered to lie on the table until the next meeting of this Grand Lodge.

Resolved that the Grand Treasurer be and he is merely empowered to receive any monies that may be paid to him from any Delegate of the several Lodges in this State at any time: and that he request the delinquent Lodges to pay their arrears at our next meeting in January.

Resolved that the worshipful Grand Master be requested to give directions to Brother Atkins to provide such furniture for the Lodge as he may deem necessary, and that the Treasurer pay the expences thereof as the Grand Master may direct.

The Lodge was then closed in due form.

Test. Edward Jones Grd. Secy. Pro tem.

At a meeting of the Grand Lodge held on the 15th of January 5795 according to adjournment.

Present

The Most Worshipful William R Davie Grand Master

Worshipful James Glasgow D G M

Worshipful John L Taylor G S W

Worshipful John Ingles G J W

Worshipful Wm. Duffy G Trea. pro tem

Worshipful R W Freear G Secretary

Worshipful Henry Hill G S D

Worshipful Dugald McKeethan G J D

Members, John Macon, Duncan McFarland & John Cunroy
Visitors, Brothers G Bradley, J Darden, Jno. M Bedford & A
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The Lodge being opened in due form, Deputations from the several Lodges were received and read as following.

From St John's No 1 Wilmington, Brothers Edward Jones,
James Read and John
Allen.

St John's No 4 Kinston, Brother Probit Colliyer.

Royal Edwin No. 5, Windsor, Brothers Fran. Pughe, John
Woolfendon.

Old Cone No 9 Salisbury, Brothers John Steele & Mont.
Stokes

Johnston Caswell No 10 Warrenton, Brothers Kemp
Plummer, James Turner,
Benjamin Moss &
Wm. Falkner.

King Solomon No 18 Jones County, Brother Amos John-
ton

Eagle Lodge No 19 Hillsborough, Brothers Stephen
Moore & William Duffy

Raleigh Lodge No 20 Tarborough, Brothers John Ingles
and Rd. White.

Democratic Lodge No 21 City of Raleigh, Brothers The-
ophilus Hunter and
Dugald McKeethan.

Hiram No 24 Williamsborough, Brothers James Vaugh-
an & John Brodie.

Pansophia No 25 Moore County, Brothers Malcom Mc-

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Neil, Neil McLoid and
Neil Smith.

Pursuant to which the following Brothers, Delegates appeared and took their seats to wit.

Probit Colliyer	Armos Johnston
Fran Pughe	Stephen Moore
Montford Stokes	Rd. White
Kemp Plummer	Dugald McKeethan
William Falkner	James Vaughn
John Allen	Neil Smith

Read a petition of Brother William Leigh praying to become a Member of this Grand Lodge; and upon balloting he was found unanimously elected, and took his seat as such.

On motion and seconded, Resolved that Brothers James Glasgow and William Duffy be appointed a committee to examine the accounts of the late Treasurer, and the State of the Treasury and report the same accordingly.

Read the petition and representation of the Brethern of Raleigh Lodge No 20 Tarborough, representing an undue electing for Officers of the said Lodge, which was referred to a committee consisting of Brothers James Glasgow, Allen, Colliyer, Pughe, Steele, Taylor, Falkner, Johnston, Duffy, McKeethan, Vaughn and Smith who are to report the same accordingly.

On motion and seconded Resolved that Brothers McKeethan & Marshall be appointed Stewards.

On motion and seconded Resolved that Brothers Glasgow D G M, Taylor, & Stokes, be appointed a committee to take into consideration the letter from Johnston Caswell Lodge No 10 Warrenton, and report thereon accordingly.

The Lodge was then closed in due form.

Teste Richd. W Freear. Gra. Secy.

At a meeting of the Grand Lodge the 17th of January A D 1794 (sic) A Lucius 5794 (sic 5795) when

Present

The Most Worshipful William R Davie Esqr. Grand Master
Worshipful James Glasgow D G M
Worshipful John Louis Taylor G S W
Worshipful John Ingles G J W
Worshipful William Duffy G Tr.

Worshipful Rich. W Freear G Secy.

Worshipful Henry Hill G S D

Worshipful John Allen G J D

Members, Brothers Conroy, John Marshall, & McFarland,
& Wm. Leigh.

Delegates, Brothers Edward Jones, Fran. Pughe, John Steele, Kemp Plummer, William Faulkner, Amos Johnston, Rd. White, Dugald McKeethan, Neil Smith, & Barrey.

The Lodge being opened in due form when was read the petition of Brother Kemp Plummer praying to become a member of this Grand Lodge; who being balloted for was found to be unanimously elected; who came in and took his seat accordingly.

The Committee appointed to take into consideration the petitions and remonstrances of the Raleigh Lodge No 20 Tarborough, made the following report. "That it is with the deepest concern they remark that the unhappy disputes by which the minds of the Brethern of the said Lodge are unhappy with each other have arisen from a disregard of those sublime virtues, which it is the object of Masonry to inculcate. From the painful emotions thus excited in their minds your Committee find no relief, but hope that those principles which are engraven on the heart of every Mason may again resume their brilliant operation in spite of these unworthy causes which have for a time weakened their energy; and that order and harmony more perfect may be restored after a cruel experiment of the reverse. But an occurrence so new and interesting to the craft, it is with diffidence they submit to the Grand Lodge the propriety of the following measures.

"1st.

That the Charter of the Raleigh Lodge aforesaid be deposited with the Deputy Grand Master, who may be requested to meet the Members of the said Lodge, in their Lodge room at their next quarterly meeting; and if he should find a pure and entire reconciliation to have taken place, then to restore them their Charter.

"2nd. That both the elections be annulled.

"3rd. That the Most worshipful Grand Master be requested to recommend to the Members of the Raleigh Lodge aforesaid who are present in the Grand Lodge a cordial union, and the oblivion of past misunderstandings; to remind

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them of the solemn obligations of the craft, and the many and glorious objects of its institution; of the virtues of forbearance, charity and forgiveness."

By order James Glasgow D G M

The Lodge taking the foregoing report into consideration Resolved that they do concur therewith.

Read a letter from the Royal White Hart No 2 Halifax, informing this Grand Lodge of the expulsion of Samuel McDugall a Member, of that Lodge for practices and conduct degrading to the character of a man, and the uprightness of a Mason unworthy of a further relation and painful to the sublime virtues of the craft. Which was ordered to be filed with the Secretary and entered on the records as a just memento of the said McDugall's ignominious conduct.

The Lodge was then closed in due form until Tuesday evening 6 O'clock P M.

Test. Richd. W Freear. Grand Secy.

Tuesday 20th of January 1795 Anno. Lucius 5795
the Grand Lodge met accordingly when
Present.

The right Worshipful John Louis Taylor Grand Master pro
tem

Worshipful John Ingles G S W pro tem

Worshipful John Cunroy G J W protem

Worshipful Walter Alves Trea.

Worshipful Richard W Freear Sec.

Worshipful Henry Hill G S D

Worshipful D McKeethan G J D

Members, Brothers William Leigh, & Duncan McFarland
Visitors, Brother Robert Williams Jun.

Delegates, Edward Jones, John Allen, William Falkner, Neil
Smith, Montford Stokes, & Kemp Plummer.

The Lodge being opened in due form Delegates from the
following Lodges appeared and took their seats to wit.

From St John's No 3 Newbern, Brothers David Witherspoon
and Francis X Martin.

American George No 17 Murfreesborough Brother Jeth-
ro Dardin.

Ordered that a Charter issue to Brother Benjamin Cas-
well, John Martin and Probit Colliyer authorizing and em-
powering them to open and hold a Lodge in Glasgow Coun-
ty by the name of Davie-Glasgow No 26, agreeable to the

dispensation filed.

Brother David Witherspoon, one of the Delegates from the St. John's Lodge Newbern, informing this Grand Lodge that they had relinquished their claim to number two of their charter heretofore asserted by them, and that they were satisfied to work under that of number three. Whereupon it was resolved that the Secretary issue a Charter to St John's Lodge of Newbern in number three aforesaid.

Resolved that the Secretary be directed to issue a new charter to St John's Lodge No 1 Wilmington of the same tenure Etc. of that which they now possess on the delivery of the same by them to the Secretary with a list of the then presiding Officers of its original date, which when received shall be filed among the records of this Grand Lodge.

Ordered that a dispensation issue to Brothers William Lenoir, Henry Young and Charles Hunt authorizing and empowering them to open and hold a Lodge in the town of Huntsville by the name of the Shallowford Lodge.

Ordered that Brothers Jones and Plummer be appointed a committee to wait on the late Treasurer and request him to send forward his books as soon as possible to the care and possession of the present Treasurer.

Ordered that as soon as convenient the Treasurer supply the different Lodges under the Jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge with full and distinct accounts of the several balances due by them to this Grand Lodge, inserting likewise and earnest requisition for the payment of the same.

The Lodge then in due form adjourned until tomorrow 6 o'clock.

Test. Rich. W. Freear. Grand Secretary.

January 21st. An Dom 1795. Anno Lucius 5795 the Grand Lodge met according to adjournment when
Present

The Most Worshipful John Louis Taylor Grand Master pro tem

Worshipful John Ingles G S W pro tem

Worshipful Montford Stokes G J W pro tem

Worshipful Richard Freear G. Sec

Worshipful John Conroy G S D pro tem

Worshipful Dugal McKeethan G J D pro tem

Worshipful John Marshall Stewart.

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Delegates Brothers Plummer, Falkner & Darden.

Visitors, Brothers Tatum, Hilliard & Barrey.

The Lodge was opened in due form.

Brother Ingles presented a petition from Brother Absalom Tatum praying to become a member of this Grand Lodge; who being balloted for, was found to be unanimously elected, and was then introduced into this Lodge, signed the bye-laws and took his seat accordingly.

The Lodge was then in due form closed until Saturday evening next.

Test. Richard W Freear. Grand Sec.

January 25th 1795 A Lucis 5795 the Grand Lodge met according to adjournment when

Present

The M W William R Davie Grand Master

W John L Taylor G S W

W Absalom Tatum G J W pro tem

W Walter Alves Grand Trea.

W William Duffy Grand Sec. pro tem

W John Conroy G S D pro tem

W D McKeethan G J D pro tem

Member. Bro. Marshall

Delegates. Brother Stephen Moore, John Steele, Wm. Falkner, & David Witherspoon.

Visiting Brethern. F Stranger, Andrew Burke & Rhodham Atkyns.

The Lodge opened in due form when a further Delegation was received from St John's Lodge No 3 Newbern certifying that Brother George Ellis was by them appointed vice Brother Francis X Martin; pursuant thereto Brother Ellis took his seat, who with the other Delegate from the said Newbern Lodge No 3, agreeable to the requisition of the Grand Lodge at their last annual meeting explained some part of the conduct of the said Lodge No 3 in such a satisfactory manner that was acceptable to this Grand Lodge.

Brother John Steele presented a petition of Bro. Adlai Osborne and others of Iredell County praying a Charter to authorize and empower them to open and hold a Lodge in the said County of Iredell. Which was accepted and ordered that a Charter issue accordingly.

Brother John Steele as representative of the Old Cone Lodge, No 9 Salisbury presented an authenticated extract

from the Journals of the said Lodge from Novem. 8th 5793 to November 7th 5794 Which was accordingly accepted and ordered to be filed.

Brother Absalom Tatum presented a petition of Brother Barre praying to become a member of this Grand Lodge, who on being balloted for was unanimously found to be elected. Who came in and took his seat accordingly.

On motion and seconded Resolved that the Grand Secretary be directed to furnish the Grand Treasurer with an authenticated list of all the Members of this Grand Lodge.

Where as it appears to this Grand Lodge that large draughts have been made on the charitable funds of St Johns Lodge No 3 Newbern and which have been appropriated to the most benevolent purposes: and thereby the funds of that Lodge are nearly exhausted; thereupon Resolved that the said Lodge No 3 have credit for all sums heretofore due from that Lodge to this Grand Charity.

The Lodge was then adjourned in due form.

Test Wm. Duffy Grand Sec. pro tem.